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REQUEST **FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.	
1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114	
a. Previously submitted	
i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on	
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2. Miscellaneous	
a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of three (3) months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)	
b. X Other Check for \$130.00	
3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 08/08/2003 EFLORES 00000040 09//0663	
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iii. X Other <u>Suspension of Action Fee</u>	
b. X Check in the amount of \$ 750.00 is enclosed	
c. LJ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)	
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